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In re Patent Application of:
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For: ESTIMATION OF CLINICAL CUT-OFFS

Examiner: J. LIN

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Requirement for Restriction in the above-identified patent application set forth in the non-final Office Action dated October 15, 2009, for which a response was due November 15, 2009, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Applicants include with this response a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for two months to extend the deadline to file this response to January 15, 2010. This Amendment is timely filed January 15, 2010. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.